(b) whether it is also a fact that link roads connecting the villages are also in poor condition;

(c) if so, what are the reasons therefore; and

(d) what steps have been taken and are being taken to put them in good condition in a time-bound manner?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF SURFACE TRANSPORT (SHRI M. RAJASEKARA MURTHY): (a) to (d) Constitutionally Government of India is responsible for the development and maintenance of National Highways only. Development and maintenance of all roads other than National Highways is the responsibility of the concerned State Government. All National Highways in the country including the State of Uttar Pradesh are being maintained in traffic worthy condition within the available funds.

कम वजन के एल०पी०जी० सिलेंडरों की आपूर्ति के विरूद्ध शिकायतें

1671. **श्रीमती मालती शर्मा:**
श्री राजनाथ सिंह:

क्या **पेट्रोलियम और प्राकृतिक गैस** मंत्री यह बताने की कृपा करेंगे कि:

(क) क्या सरकार को वसंत विहार, नई दिल्ली के उपभोक्ताओं द्वारा मैसर्स रिप्रो गैस सर्विस, मुनीरका, डी०डी०ए० मार्किट, नई दिल्ली के विरूद्ध कोई शिकायतें प्राप्त हुई हैं;

(ख) यदि हां, तो तत्संबंधी ब्यौरा क्या है;

(ग) क्या यह सच है कि यह फर्म कम वजन के गैस सिलेंडर सप्लाई कर रही है और उसमें भी काफी समय लगता है; और

(घ) यदि हां, तो सरकार ने स्थिति को सुधारने के लिए क्या कार्रवाई की है?

पैट्रोलियम और प्राकृतिक गैस मंत्रालय के (राज्य मंत्री) कैप्टन शर्मा): (क) से (घ) इंडियन आयल कारपोरेशन ने यह बताया है कि जनवरी 95 से सितम्बर 95 की अवधि के दौरान इस वितरक के विरूद्ध देर से रिफिल की आपूर्तियों के बारे में एक प्रमाणिक शिकायत मिली थी। संशोधित विपणन अनुशासन दिशानिर्देशों के अनुसार चेतावनी पत्र जारी किया गया है तथा वितरक को अपनी सेवाओं में सुधार करने का सुझाव दिया गया है।

Deteriorating Environmental Conditions

1672. SHRI JAGMOHAN: Will the Minister for ENVIRONMENT AND FORESTS be pleased to state:

(a) whether environmental conditions in Urban India are deteriorating sharply;

(b) whether unlimited growth of both light and heavy vehicles and unsatisfactory methods of solid wastes disposal are mainly responsible for this; and

(c) what policy framewok in this regard has been evolved to assist the State Governments to check further detarioration and bring about improvement in the existing conditions?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF ENVIRONMENT AND FORESTS (SHRI RAJESH PILOT): (a) There has been steady increase in urban population in all major cities in the country without commensurate development of facilities such as housing, water supply and treatment, sanitation and transportation. This has led to deterioration in environmental conditions.

(b) Pollution from automobiles, consisting of both light as well as heavy duty vehicles, is the single major source of air pollution in all major cities in the country. In addition, generation of large quantities of solid wastes which are disposed of without following proper scientific practices, is a cause for environmental degradation in urban areas.

(c) The Government has formulated a National Policy for Abatement of Pollution which is a comprehensive approach to integrate environmental and economic aspects for achieving desired objectives. The policy envisages the use of a mix of instruments, namely, technological, regulatory and fiscal